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# MINUTES

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## EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

——OF THE——

# Mill Branch Primitive Baptist Association,

——HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT——

**Simpson Creek Meeting House, Horry Connty, S. C.,**

**November 1st, 2nd and 3d, 1889.**

WILMINGTON, N. C.:
JACKSON & BELL, PRINTERS AND BINDERS.
1889.

# PROCEEDINGS.

1st. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder Thomas Bell, from 4th chapter and 20th verse 1st Corinthians: For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power.

2d. After a short recess, the brethren came together, and, after prayer by Elder J. R. Roberts, the Association was organized by choosing Elder Thomas Bell Moderator, and Elder McLenan Wright Clerk, who called to his assistance M. M. Harrelson.

3d. Appointed brethren B. H. Buffkin and Redden Cannon a Committee on Finance.

4th. Then read the Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum.

5th. Called for corresponding and visiting brethren from sister Associations:

From Little River, Elder J. S. Coats, file of minutes.
From White Oak, Elder L H. Hardy, letter.
From Contentnea, Elder J. R. Roberts, letter.
From Bear Creek, Brother L. D. H. Williams.
From Kehukee, Elder G. D. Robinson, file of minutes.
From Black Creek, no correspondence.

6th. Correspondence to sister Associations:

To Little River, Bro. George W. Gore, minutes.
To Contentnea, Bro. B. H. Buffkin and R. Cannon.
To White Oak, Bro. J. M. Hardwick, minutes.
To Black Creek, Elder D. N. Gore, file of minutes.
To Bear Creek, Elder Thos. Bell, Fall Term minutes.
To Kehukee, Bro. M. M. Harrelson, file of minutes.
To Country Line, file of minutes.
To Abbott's Creek, file of minutes.

Petitionary letters for admittance called for, when one was presented from Mt. Pleasant, Sumter county, S. C.; right hand of fellowship extended to messengers by the Moderator.

7th. Letters from the churches composing this Association called for. Handed in, read and their contents noted in statistical table. (See table.)

8th. Appointed to preach to-morrow, Elders L. H. Hardy, J. R. Roberts and J. S. Coats.

9th. Appointed our next Association to be held with the church at Bethel M. H., Brunswick county, N. C. to commence on Friday, before the first Sunday in November, 1890, and that Elder D. N. Gore preach the introductory sermon, Elder McLenan Wright his alternate; worship to begin at 11 o'clock, a. m.

10th. Adjourned until Saturday morning 9½ o'clock;

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SATURDAY MORNING.

11th. Met according to adjournment.

Praise and prayer by Elder L. H. Hardy.

12th. Again called for corresponding and visiting brethren. No more present.

13th. The Committee on Finance was called on to report. The Committee reported as follows: Received from the churches this year $27.75. Report received and Committee discharged. Paid for printing these minutes $6.50. Paid Clerk for his services $10.00. Distributed balance on hand to visiting ministers and brethren.

14th. Appointed Elder McLenan Wright to transcribe and superintend the printing of these minutes—have 400 copies printed and distribute them as best he can, and enter them on our record.

15th. This Association was organized by Elders James Wilson, of Wake county, and More Stephenson, of Johnson county, N. C., in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

16th. That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the brethren and friends for their hospitable entertainment of the visitors to this Association while together.

17th. Elders D. G. Roberson, J. R. Roberts and L. H. Hardy preach to morrow.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, a. m.

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SUNDAY MORNING.

The services of the day were opened by praise and prayer by Elder L. H. Hardy.

Elder J. R. Roberts preached from 15th chapter and 37th verse 1st Corinthians: And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat or of some other grain.

Elder G. D. Roberson preached from 8th chapter and 10th verse of Hebrews: For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord: I will put my laws into their mind and write them in their hearts, and I will be to them a God and they shall be to me a people.

The congregation was large and attentive; the preaching seemed to be in demonstration of the Spirit and with power, and much to the comfort of the brethren. We hope the blessing of the good Lord will follow.

ELDER THOMAS BELL,
*Moderator.*

Elder McLENAN WRIGHT, *Clerk.*

M. M. HARRELSON, *Assistant Clerk.*

# STATISTICAL TABLE.

| Churches. | Counties. | Delegates. | Baptized. | Received by Letter. | Restored. | Dismissed. | Excluded. | Died. | Total. | Contributions. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch..... | Columbus, N. C. | Elder McL. Wright, B. M. Harrelson, M. M. Harrelson | 11 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 2 | 97 | $5 00 |
| Simpson Creek... | Horry, S. C..... | J. R. Horn, J. M. Hardwick, G. W. Gore..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | 49 | 5 00 |
| Little Pee Dee..... | " " ..... | R. Cannon, C. Cannon, W. F. Singleton..... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 31 | 3 00 |
| Feathery Bay..... | " " ..... | B. H. Buffkin, G. A. Fowler, John Stricklin..... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 26 | 1 50 |
| Pireway ..... | Columbus, N. C... | G. M. D. Long, B. Benton, Jonathan Gore..... | 1 | ... | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 32 | 3 75 |
| Cypress Creek..... | " " ... | M. J. Ward ..... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 15 | 1 50 |
| Bethel ..... | Brunswick, " ... | W. E. Benton, M. C. Benton..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 25 | 3 00 |
| Pleasant Hill..... | Horry, S. C..... | D. T. King, Joseph Bellamy..... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 17 | 2 00 |
| Mt. Pleasant..... | Sumter, " ..... | John Brown, William Brown..... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 16 | 2 00 |

*Names of Ministers belonging to our Association and their Post Offices.*

Elder McLenan Wright, Lebanon, Columbus Co , N. C.
" Thomas Bell, Little River, Horry Co., S. C.
" Jacob R. Horn, Daisey, Horry Co., S. C.
" D. N. Gore, Clarendon, Columbus Co., N. C.
Daniel Todd, (Licentiate) Daisey, Horry Co., S. C.
G. W. Gore, (Licentiate) Sanford, Horry Co., S. C.

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# MINUTES

——OF THE——

## NINETEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

——OF THE——

# Mill Branch Primitive Baptist Association,

——HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT——

**BETHEL, BRUNSWICK COUNTY, N. C., OCTOBER 31st, NOVEMBER 1st and 2d, 1890.**

WILMINGTON, N. C.:
JACKSON & BELL, PRINTERS AND BINDERS.
1890.

# PROCEEDINGS.

1st. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder McLenan Wright, from the 2d chapter, 27th and 28th verses, Acts of the Apostles.

2d. After a short recess, the brethren came together, and after prayer by Elder B. H. Wooten, the Association was organized by choosing Elder Thomas Bell, Moderator, and Elder McLenan Wright, Clerk, and M. M. Harrelson, Assistant Clerk.

3d. Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum read.

4th. Appointed brethren Burwell, Harrelson and Thomas King Committee on Finance.

5th. Call for corresponding and visiting brethren from sister Associations:

From Little River, Elders J. T. Coats and J. E. Adams, file of minutes.

From White Oak, Elder B. H. Wooten.

From Contentnea, Elder I. J. Taylor.

From Black Creek, no correspondents.

From Bear Creek, no correspondents.

From Kehukee, no correspondents.

6th. Correspondence to sister Associations:

To Little River, Brethren B. M. Harrelson and Joseph Faircloth.

To Contentnea, M. M. Harrelson.

To White Oak, F. A. Hardee.

To Black Creek, Burwell Harrelson and D. T. King.

To Bear Creek, file of minutes.

To Kehukee, file of minutes.

To Country Line, file of minutes.

To Abbott's Creek, file of minutes.

To Cool Spring Elders Thomas Bell and McL. Wright.

A message of love was received from Elder James Wilson who helped to organize this Association.

Mt. Pleasant Church, of Sumter county, S. C., was granted a letter to join some other Association of same faith.

7th. Letters from the churches composing this Assscia-tion called for. Handed in, read, and their contents noted in statistical table. (See table.)

8th. Appointed to preach to-morrow, Elders J. T. Coats, J. E Adams and I. J. Taylor.

9th. Appointed our next Association to be held with the church at Pee Dee M. H., Horry county, S C., to commence on Friday before the first Sunday inNovember, 1891, and that Elder Thomas Bell preach the introductory sermon, Elder D. N. Gore his alternate; worship to begin at 11 o'clock. A. M.

10th. Adjourned until Saturday morning, 9½ o'clock.

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## Saturday Morning.

11th. Met according to adjournment.

Praise and prayer by Elder J. T. Coats.

12th. Committee on Finance called on to report. The committee reported as follows: Received from the churches this year $28.50. Report received and committee discharged Paid for prnting these minutes, $8. Paid Clerk for his services, $10. Distributed balance on hand to visiting ministers and brethren.

13th. Appointed Elder McLenan Wright to transcribe and superintend the printing of these minutes; have 425 copies printed and distribute as best he can, and enter them on our record.

14th. That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the brethren and friends for their hospitable entertainment of the visitors to this Association while together.

15. Elders I. J. Taylor, B. H. Wooten and J. E. Adams preach to-morrow.

Adjourned until to-morrow, 9½ o'clock, A. M.

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SUNDAY MORNING.

The services of the day were opened by praise and prayer by the Moderator.

Elder B. H. Wooten preached from the following Scripture: "God is love. We know we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren."

Elder I. J. Taylor preached from the 3d chapter and 1st verse, Ecclesiastics.

Elder J. E. Adams preached from the 2d chapter, 15th verse, 2d Timothy.

The preaching seemed to be in demonstration of the Spirit and with power, and much to the comfort of the brethren. We hope that a blessing from the Master will follow.

ELDER THOMAS BELL,
*Moderator.*

Elder McLENAN WRIGHT, *Clerk.*
M. M. HARRELSON, *Assistant Clerk.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch | Columbus, N. C. | Elder McL. Wright, D. N. Gore, J. Faircloth. | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 1 | 99 | $ 5 00 |
| Simpson Creek | Horry, S. C. | B. Harrelson, J. S. Hardee, T. Hardee | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 49 | 5 00 |
| Pee Dee | Horry, S. C. | N. E. Paul, S. W. Canon, R. J. Lauremore | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 33 | 3 00 |
| Feathery Bay | Horry, S. C. | B. H. Buffkin, Geo. Fowler, J. Stricklin | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 27 | 2 00 |
| Pireway | Columbus, N. C. | Jonathan Gore, S. M. Anderson, S. M. Long | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | 27 | 4 50 |
| Cypress Creek | Columbus, N. C. | Wm. J. Spivey, L. M. Ward | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 17 | 1 50 |
| Bethel | Brunswick N.C. | M. Benton, J. D. Gore | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 28 | 3 00 |
| Pleasant Hill | Horry. S C. | D. T. King, T. A. Brown | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 19 | 3 00 |
| Mt. Pleasant | Sumter, S. C. | F. B. Brown, J. W. Brown | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 50 |

## Names of Ministers Belonging to our Association and their Postoffices.

Elder McLenan Wright .....Haddock, Columbus county, N. C.
Elder Thomas Bell.....Little River, Horry county, S. C.
Elder Jacob R. Horn .....Daisey, Horry county, S. C.
Elder D. N. Gore.....Clarendon, Columbus county, N. C.
Daniel Todd Licentiate) .....Daisey, Horry county, S. C.
G. W. Gore (Licentiate) .....Sanford, Horry county, S. C.

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# MINUTES

—OF THE—

## TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

# MILL BRANCH

# Primitive Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Pireway, Columbus County, N. C., November

3rd, 4th and 5th, 1893.

# PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER, 3rd, 1893.

1st. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder George W. Gore, from John 6th chapter and 63rd verse.

2rd. After a short recess the brethren came together and after praise and prayer by Elder Gardner Bryan, the Association was organized by appointing Elder Thomas Bell, Moderator and M. M. Harrelson Clerk.

3rd. Rules ot Decorum read.

4th. Visiting ministers and brethren from sister Associations invited to seats.

5th. The following committees were appointed on arrangements of preaching : Brethren B. H. Harrelson, W. B. Carter and Joseph Cox. On Finance, brethren S. N. Long, Daniel Gore and B. H. Buffkin.

6th. Called for correspondence, when the following were received.

Little River, Elders W. J. Stephenson, J. F. Coats and and W. G. Turner.

Contentnea, Letter and Minutes.

Black Creek, minutes.

White Oak, Elder Gardner Bryan and minutes.

Bear Creek, not represented.

Kehukee, minutes.

Eno, minutes.

County Line, not represented.

Abbott's Creek Union, minutes.

7th. Correspondence to Sister Associations :

Little River, Elder George W. Gore, brethren B. H. Harrelson, M. M. Harrelson.

Contentnea, Elder G. W. Gore and B. H. Harrelson.

Black Creek, minutes.

White Oak, Elder George W. Gore, B. H. Harrelson.

Bear Creek, minutes.

Kehukee, Elder Geo. W. Gore, B. H. Harrelson.

Eno, minutes.

Abbott's Creek Union, minutes.

County Line, minutes.

Cool Spring, Elder Thos. Bell.

8th. Letters from the churches composing this Association, called for, handed in, read and contents noted. (See table.)

9th. Resolved that we hold our next Association with the Church at Mill Branch, Columbus county, N. C., to commence Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1894, and that Elder Thomas Bell preach the introductory sermon, Elder George W. Gore his alternate. Worship to commence at 11 o'clock A. M.

10th. The committee of arrangements reported as follows: That Elders Gardner Bryan and W. G. Turner preach at the stand to-day, Elders J. T. Coats, W. J. Stephenson and W. G. Turner Saturday, and Elders J. T. Coats, Gardner Bryan and W. J. Stephenson Sunday.

Adjourned to 9.30 o'clock Saturday morning.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH.

11th. The Association assembled and opened by praise and prayer by Elder J. T. Coats.

12th. Again called for correspondence from sister Associations.

13th. The Committee on Finance reported: Received from the churches this year $25. Report received and committee discharged.

14th. That we appropriate for printing minutes and postage $8, paid clerk for his services $8, left over from printing minutes last year, $2.62. Distributed balance on hand to visiting ministers.

15th. Appointed the Clerk to transcribe and superintend the printing of these minutes, have 450 printed and distribute as best he can and enter a copy on our record.

16th. That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the brethren and friends for their hospitable entertainment of the visitors to this Association while together.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Sunday morning.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH.

Elder Gardner Bryan introduced the services of the day and preached from 2nd verse, 8th chapter of Romans.

Elder W. J. Stephenson followed and preached from 1st Corinthians 1st chap. and first five verses. Elder J.T. Coats followed and preached from Isaiah 27th chapter, 12th and 13th verses.

The exercises of the day were closed by the Moderator. The preaching throughout the Association was sound, convincing and comforting.

ELDER THOMAS BELL,
Moderator.

M. M. HARRELSON,
Clerk.

Address, Clarendon, N. C.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch | Columbus, N. C. | C. W. Joyner, I. W. Jordan, M. M. Harrelson | 6 | ..... | ..... | 8 | 2 | ..... | 91 | $5 00 |
| Simpson Creek | Horry, S. C | Elder G. W. Gore, B. H. Harrelson, W. B. Carter. | 9 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 59 | 5 00 |
| Pee Dee | Horry, S. C | Dennis Cannon, J. A. Mayo,* W. F. Singleton | 4 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 44 | 4 00 |
| Feathery Bay | Horry, S. C | B. H. Buffkin, R. Foley,* John Stricklin* | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5 | ..... | ..... | 33 | 1 50 |
| Pireway | Columbus, N. C. | Jonathan Gore, D. R. Gore, S. N. Long | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | 2 | 34 | 4 00 |
| Cypress Creek | Columbus, N. C. | M. J. Ward, L. M. Ward, W. J. Spivey | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | 9 | 1 00 |
| Bethel | Brunswick, N. C. | F. G. Hardee, W. E. Benton | 1 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 30 | 3 00 |
| Pleasant Hill | Horry, S. C | D. Thos. King, J. T. Bellamy, J. C. King | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 23 | 2 50 |

Absentees marked thus (*).

## NAMES OF MINISTERS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.

Elder McLennon Wright.....Haddock, Columbus County, N. C.
" Thomas Bell,.....Wampee, Horry County, S. C.
" Jacob B. Horn,.....Daisy, Horry County, S. C.
" George W. Gore.....Sanford, Horry County, S. C.

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# MINUTES

OF THE

## Twenty-Third Annual Session

OF THE

## MILL BRANCH

## Primitive Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

MILL BRANCH, COLUMBUS COUNTY, N. C.,

**November 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 1894.**

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PRINTED AT
THE NEWS BOOK AND JOB OFFICE,
WHITEVILLE, N. C.

# PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1st, 1894.

1st. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder Thos. Bell.

2nd. After a short recess the brethren came together, and after praise and prayer by Elder Gardner Bryan the Association was organized by appointing Elder Thos. Bell, Moderator, and M. M. Harrelson, Clerk.

3rd. Articles of faith and rules of the decorum read.

4th. Visiting ministers and brethren from sister Associations invited to seats.

5th. The following committee was appointed on arrangements of preaching: Elders G. W. Gore, and S. M. Paul, Brethren W. B. Carter and Reden Cannon on Finance.

6th. Called for correspondence and the following were received:

Little River, Elders Jas. Wilson, J. E. Adams, J. T. Coats, W. J. Stevenson and brothers Creach and Penny.

Contentnea, letter and minutes.

Black Creek, minutes.

White Oak, Elder G. Bryan with letter.

Bear Creek, minutes.

Kehukee, minutes.

Eno, minutes.

Country Line, minutes.

Cool Spring, not represented.

Mayo, minutes.

Fisher's River, minutes.

7th. Correspondence to sister Associations:

Little River, B. H. Harrelson and minutes.

White Oak, Elder Thos. Bell, J. L. Horn and G. M. Norris.

Kehukee, minutes.

Country Line, minutes.

Bear Creek, minutes.

Abbot's Creek, minutes.

Eno, minutes.

Cool Spring, Elder Thos. Bell.

Seven Mile, B. H. Harrelson and minutes.

Mayo, minutes.

Fisher's River, minutes.

8th. Letters from the churches composing this Association called for, handed in, read and contents noted (See table.)

9th. Resolved, That we hold our next Association with the church at Simpson's Creek, Horry county, S. C., to commence Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1895, and that Elder George W. Gore preach the introductory sermon, B. H. Harrelson his alternate. Worship to commence at 11 o'clock a. m.

10th. The committee of arrangements reported as follows: Elders J. T. Coats and J. E. Adams preach to-day. Elders Gardner Bryan, James Wilson and W. J. Stevenson, preach Saturday. Elders Gardner Bryan, J. E. Adams and J. T. Coats Sunday. Adjourned to 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd, 1894.

11th. The Association assembled and was opened with praise and prayer by Elder W. J. Stevenson.

12th. Again called for correspondence from sister Associations:

13th. The committee on finance reported received from the churches this year $22.75; report received and the committee discharged. Agreed that we appropriate $7. for printing, etc., pay clerk for his services $5, left over from last year $1.38, distribute balance on hand to visiting ministers.

14th. Appointed M. M. Harrelson to transcribe and superintend the printing of these minutes; have 450 printed and distribute the best he can, and enter a copy on our record.

15th. That thanks of this Association be tendered to the brethren and friends for their hospitable entertainment of the visitors to this Association while together.

Adjourned to Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd, 1894.

Elder W. J. Stevenson introduced the services of the day and preached from John 11th Chapter and 35th verse. Elder James Wilson followed and preached a short but very effective sermon. J. E. Adams preached from 2nd Cor. 13th Chapter and 11th verse, Elder J. T. Coats followed. The exercises of the day were closed by the moderator. The preaching throughout the Association was sound and comforting to the brethren and sisters. May the blessings of the Lord attend it.

ELDER THOMAS BELL,
Moderator

M. M. HARRELSON,
Clerk.
Address, Clarendon, N. C.

# STATISTICAL TABLE.

| CHURCHES. | COUNTIES. | DELEGATES. | Baptized. | Received by Letter. | Dismissed by Letter. | Exchanged. | Deceased. | Restored. | Members. | Contributions. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch | Columbus, N.C. | F. C. Williamson,* I.W Jordan, L H.Wright. | 6 | 3 | ..... | 2 | 2 | ..... | 96 | $5 00 |
| Fireway | Columbus, N.C. | S. M. Anderson, George Long | 2 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 2 | 29 | 2 75 |
| Feathery Bay | Horry, S.C. | B. H. Buffkin, Randal Foly,* | .... | ..... | 3 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 18 | 1 00 |
| Pee Dee | Horry, S. C. | R. Cannon, C. Cannon, S. M. Paul | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 54 | 4 00 |
| Simpson Creek | Horry, S. C. | Elder G. W. Gore, B.H.Harrelson, W.B.Carter | 5 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 59 | 5 00 |
| Pleasant Hill | Horry, S. C | D Thos. King, Thos. M. Hucks. | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 24 | 3 00 |
| Bethel | Brunswick, N. C. | F. G. Hardee, W. A. Bell,* W. E Benton* | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .... | ..... | 30 | 2 00 |

Absentees marked thus (*)

## NAMES OF MINISTERS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.

Elder McLennon Wright.....Haddock, Columbus County, N. C.
" Thomas Bell.....Wampee, Horry County, S. C.
" Jacob R. Horn.....Daisey, Horry County, S. C.
" George W. Gore.....Daisey, Horry County, S. C.
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# MINUTES

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# FIFTY-NINTH

ANNUAL SESSION

of the

# MILL BRANCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

TABOR

COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

**Friday, Saturday and Sunday,**

**October 30, 31, and Nov. 1, 1931.**

# Proceedings

## FIRST DAY—FRIDAY

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. T. Williams from Heb. 8:8.

After intermission the Association came together and was organized by appointing F. C. Wright, Moderator, and M. Meares, Clerk, who called to his assistance S. M. Paul.

The following elders were appointed to preach this P. M.: L. Raper, W. W. Roberts and J. W. Wyatt.

The following committees were appointed:

On arrangement, J. R. Hunt, B. M. Fowler and E. L. Vaught.

On finance, H. Hinson, G. W. King and B. F. Moore.

Called for letters from churches (see table).

The following Associations with whom we correspond were represented:

Little River—J. M. Whittington and R. D. Langdon.

Contentnea—E. A. Standfield.

White Oak—Elders R. W. Gurganus, W. W. Roberts and T. W. Rhodes.

Upper Country Line—Elders F. W. Keene, T. A. Standfield and M. B. Martin.

Lower Country Line—Minutes.

Black Creek—Elders J. T. Williams, L. Raper, H. F. Hutchens, J. W. Wyatt and R. H. Boswell.

Seven Mile—Elders Xure Lee, L. A. Johnston, M. F. Westbrook and W. V. Blackman and others.

Fisher River—Elder G. O. Key.

Abbott's Creek—Elder A. F. Nance.

Salem—Elders D. A. O'Bryant, G. W. Hill, W. B. Stadler and others.

Bear Creek—M. T. Harward and Roy Honeycutt.

Appointed correspondence:

Little River—E. L. Vaught and J. M. Horn.

White Oak—R. C. Gore and F. G. Hardee.

Contentnea—Minutes.
Abbots Creek—J. H. Carter and J. B. Paul.
Upper Country Line—S. M. Paul.
Lower Country Line—S. M. Paul and J. E. Faircloth.
Seven Mile—G. W. King.
Black Creek—G. C. Stalvey.
Fisher River—Minutes.
Bear Creek—J. H. Carter.
Salem—J. R. Hunt, J. B. Paul, and B. M. Fowler.

The next session is to be held with the church at Black Creek, Horry County, S. C., service to begin at 11 o'clock A. M.

## SECOND DAY—SATURDAY.

The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional services were conducted by Elder G. O. Key.

Report of finance commitee:

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| Received from churches | $60.00 |
| Contributions | 75.00 |
| Appropriated for minutes | 20.00 |
| Divided among ministers | 115.00 |

Ordered that 650 copies of minutes be printed and distributed among our churches and Associations with whom we correspond and transcribe a copy on our own association book.

Report of finance committee received and committee to be discharged at close of meeting.

Resolved, That we return thanks to God for His goodness to us; also to brethren, sisters and friends of this community for their kindness and hospitality in the entertainment of this Association.

Adjourned to meet with the church at Black Creek, Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1932.

F. C. Wright, Moderator, Tabor, N. C.
M. Meares, Clerk, Tabor, N. C.
S. M. Paul, Asst. Clerk, Conway, S. C. R. 2.

## ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday—Introductory by J. T. Williams, Heb. 8:8.

Friday P. M.—L. Raper, Luke 1:35; W. W. Roberts, no special text; J. T. Wyatt Isa. 44:1-7.

At night, J. F. Fulk, Jer. 1:5; W. B. Stadler, no special text.

Saturday—A. F. Nance, Dan. 2:44; H. F. Hutchens, Job. 26:13; M. F. Westbrook, Matt. 10; F. W. Keene, Deut. 32:9.

Saturday P. M.—D. A. O'Bryant, Isa. 40:10; R. W. Gurganus, Ps. 19:1; M. B. Martin, Acts 8:32; Xure Lee, John 10:1.

At night, T. A. Stanfield, Deut. 32:9; C. L. Robins, II Cor. 5; L. A. Johnston, John 22:9.

Sunday—G. W. Hill, John 22:9; G. O. Key, Mark, 10:14; J. T. Collier, Noah's Ark; T. F. Adams, Mark 15:16, 17; R. H. Boswell, no special text.

## STATISTICAL TABLE

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| Mill Branch | M. Meares, Tabor, N. C. | J. R. Hunt, J. P. Mills, M. L. Wright | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 63 | $12.00 |
| Simpson Creek | E. Vaught, Loris, S. C. | J. H. Carter, J. B. Paul, E. L. Vaught | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 64 | 16.00 |
| Pireway | R. C. Gore, Pireway, N. C. | T. K. Benton, W. J. Lowrymore, Lester Long | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 2.00 |
| Black Creek | H. Hinson, Mullins, S. C. | H. Hinson, H. G. Harrelson, B. F. Harrelson | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 5.00 |
| Tabor | D. L. Coleman, Tabor, N. C. | B. M. Fowler, W. A. Harrelson, J. T. Prince | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 9.00 |
| Pee Dee | S. M. Paul, Conway, S. C. R.2 | S. M. Paul, W. D. Williams, B. F. Moore | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 4.00 |
| Pleasant Hill | G. W. King, Myrtle Beach, S.C. | G. C. Stalvey, J. D. Mishoe, G W. King | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 10.00 |
| Bethel | F. G. Hardee, Wampee, S. C. | F. G. Hardee, A. A. Millican | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 2.00 |
| Mt. Pleasant | T. J. Brown, Bishopville, S. C. | Not represented | | | | | | | | |

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# MINUTES

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Seventieth Annual Session

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# MILL BRANCH

## Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

# MILL BRANCH

Columbus County, N. C.

*Friday, Saturday and Sunday,*

*Oct. 30, 31 - Nov. 1, 1942*

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*— Officers —*

H. G. COX, Moderator ..... Loris, S. C.

M. MEARES, Clerk ..... Tabor City, N. C.

E. L. VAUGHT, Asst. Clerk ..... Loris, S. C.

NEWS REPORTER, WHITEVILLE, N. C.

# PROCEEDINGS

## *First Day—Friday*

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder M. F. Westbrook, Daniel 4: 2 to 8.

After an intermission of one hour the Association came together and was organized by appointing H. G. Cox moderator, and M. Meares clerk, and E. L. Vaught assistant clerk.

The following committees were appointed:—

On arrangement:—R. N. Radford, Carl Reaves, and D. L. Coleman.

On Finance:—J. R. Hunt, J. E. Faircloth, T. A. Smart.

Elders Lester Lee, Xure Lee and R. P. Bachelor were appointed to preach at the stand this p. m.

Letters from churches comprising this Association were read and contents noted in statistical table.

A motion was made to table letter from Simpson Creek Church, the motion was lost.

The following Associations with whom we correspond were present:—

Little River:—Elder E. F. Pierce and Brethren J. W. Bailey, H. A. Johnson and wife.

White Oak:—Elders R. W. Gurganus and R. P. Bachelor.

Upper Country Line:—Minutes.

Lower Country Line:—Minutes.

Black Creek:—Elder J. T. Williams and wife.

Seven Mile:—Elders M. F. Westbrook, L. A. Johnson, Xure Lee, Lester Lee and Brethren N. F. Whittington, N. T. Mathews and R. D. Ennis.

Bear Creek:—Elders J. T. Jones, and Oscar Broom and wife.

Salem:—Elder D. A. O'Bryant was present but refused to be seated.

Abbots Creek—Elder W. E. Garrell and wife.

Lower Mayo:—Minutes.

Laurels Springs:—Minutes.

APPOINTED CORRESPONDENCE AS FOLLOWS:

Seven mile:—R. N. Radford and J. B. Paul.

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White Oak:—H. G. Cox, R. N. Radford and J. B. Paul.

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SPRING SESSION

Salem:—Minutes.
Lower Mayo:—Minutes.
Laurels Springs:—Minutes.

Ordered that the next session of this Association be held with the church at Simpson Creek, service to begin at 11 a. m. Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1943. Elder Oscar Broom is appointed to preach the introductory sermon and M. F. Westbrook, his alternate.

## *Saturday—Second Day*

The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional service was conducted by Elder R. W. Gurganus.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

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| Received from churches | $ 55.25 |
| Contributions | 144.00 |
| To credit of Association in 1941 | 23.00 |
| TOTAL | $222.25 |

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| Appropriated for Minutes | 35.00 |
| Appropriated for Ministers | 143.00 |
| To Credit of Association | 44.25 |
| TOTAL | $222.25 |

Report of finance committee received, committee to be discharged at close of meeting.

Ordered that 600 copies of minutes be published and distributed among our churches and associations with whom we correspond, also transcribe a copy on our association record.

Resolved:—That we return thanks to God for His goodness to us; also to Brethren, Sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality in the entertainment of this association.

Adjourned to meet with the church at Simpson Creek, Friday before the First Sunday in November, 1943.

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M. MEARES, Clerk ..... Tabor City, N. C.
E. L. VAUGHT, Asst. Clerk ..... Loris, S. C.

## *Ministers*

W. A. Harrelson, Licentiate ..... Tabor City, N. C.

## *Order Of Preaching*

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Lester Lee:—No special text; Xure Lee:—John 5:25; R. P. Bachelor:—Roman 10:30.

SATURDAY MORNING

Oscar Broom:—Matt. 10:1; L. A. Johnson, Ps. 133:1 W. E. Garrell:—Romans 11:14.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

R. W. Gurganus:—John 15: 1, 2; J. T. Williams:—John 5:24.

SUNDAY MORNING

J. T. Jones:—1 Cor. 2:2; W. E. Garrell:—Romans 11:34; E. F. Pierce:—Daniel 2:44.

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# *Rules Of Decorum*

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16. This Association is in favor of preaching the Gospel, the circulation of the scriptures and the advantage of education and recommends temperance and morality in general, but to our members in particular, notwithstanding, she is opposed to all the modern institutions of men, such as Missionary Bible tracts, and Sunday School Union societies, together with Baptist State Conventions, and Theological schools and such like because their connection with the Church of God is unwarranted by the scriptures, as such, we cannot fellowship nor admit to our church privileges any persons that are therewith connected in any wise, believing all such to be speculative in their nature and a fruitful source of corrupting the church.

17. We recommend to the churches composing this body to receive members who went off with the Missionary Baptists at the time of the division. Provided they bring satisfactory evidence of a legal baptism with a suitable confession of faith and not otherwise in disorder and not receive any who have been baptized since the division, only by experience and baptism.

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19. To invite visiting brethren from sistes Associations and ministers of the same faith and order to seats with us.

20. To keep a correspondence with other associations of the same faith and order that a chain of connection may be preserved throughout the denomination.

21. If any member shall break these rules of decorum, he shall be immediately reproved by the Moderator.

22. These rules shall be read, if necessary, at every Association previous to entering to business.

# QUARTERLY MEETINGS

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| Mill Branch | Saturday and 1st Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Simpson Creek | Saturday and 2nd Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Pireway | Saturday and 2nd Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Black Creek | Saturday and 4th Sunday in February, May, August and November. |
| Tabor | Saturday and 4th Sunday in March, June, September and December. |
| Pee Dee | Saturday and 4th Sunday in March, June, September and December. |
| Pleasant Hill | Saturday and 1st Sunday in Feb., May, August and November. |
| Bethel | Saturday, 4th Sunday in December, March, June and September. |
| Mt. Pleasant | Saturday and 4th Sunday in December, March, June and September. |

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| Mill Branch | M. Meares, Tabor City, N. C. | J. R. Hunt, R. N. Radford, W. H. McMillon | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 51 | 12.00 |
| Simpson Creek | E. L. Vaught, Loris, S. C. | J. B. Paul, H. G. Cox, E. L. Vaught | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 54 | 16.00 |
| Pireway | J. D. Harper, Nakina, N. C. | R. J. Stocks, L. Long, J. D. Harper | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 4.75 |
| Black Creek | M. K. Alford, Nichols, S. C. | D. T. Hewett, C. P. Small, M. K. Alford | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 2.50 |
| Tabor | D. L. Coleman, Tabor City, N. C. | D. L. Coleman, W. A. Harrelson, J. E. Faircloth | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 5.00 |
| Pee Dee | T. A. Smart, Conway, S. C. | T. A. Smart, Mary Paul | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 20 | 4.00 |
| Pleasant Hill | W. S. Brown, Myrtle Beach, S. C. | J. D. Misho, G. C. Staly, W. S. Brown | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 5.00 |
| Bethel | Mary Gore, Wampee, S. C. | Mary Gore, Lessie Hardee, ———— Jones | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 1.50 |
| Mt. Pleasant | Newton Brown, Bishopville, S. C. | R. Brown, H. Brown, N. Brown, G. Brown | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 4.00 |

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# MILL BRANCH

## Primitive Baptist

# ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT

## Pee Dee

Friday, Saturday and Sunday,
NOVEMBER 1, 2, 3,

## 1946

1947 Session will be held with Pleasant Hill Church in Horry County, South Carolina. Services to begin at 11 a. m. Friday before first Sunday in November.

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OFFICERS

ELDER H. G. COX - Moderator . . . . . Loris, S. C.
E. L. VAUGHT - Clerk . . . . . Rt. 2, Loris, S. C.
A. D. COX, Assistant Clerk . . . . . Tabor, City, N. C.

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# PROCEEDINGS

**OF THE 76th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE MILL BRANCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, Held with the Church at PEE DEE, Horry County, S. C., Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 1, 1, 3, 1946.**

## FRIDAY (First Day):

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder M. F. Westbrook from Numbers 24:10-15.

Elder H. G. Cox, general remarks.

After an intermission of one hour the Association came together and was organized by electing Elder H. G. Cox, Moderator, E. L. Vaught, Clerk and A. D. Cox, Assistant Clerk.

Moved that the visiting Brethren of the same faith and order be invited to seats with us by the Moderator. Moved that the Moderator appoint preachers to the stand for this afternoon, after which Brother B. L. Godwin, Elders W. H. Freeman and L. A. Johnson were appointed.

The following Committees were appointed:
On Finance: Brethren E. H. Leigh, M. K. Alford, W. L. Bellamy. Alternates: Carl Reaves, J. D. Harper.
On Arrangements: Brethren R. N. Radford, J. E. Faircloth, T. T. Hewitt.

Moved that we call for letters from churches composing this Association. Letters were read and contents noted in Statistical table.

The following Associations with whom we correspond were represented as follows:

Abbott's Creek: Minutes—Elders S. T. Atkinson, W. E. Jarrell and others.

Bear Creek: Minutes—Elders Oscar Broom, Brethren Sam Curlee, C. C. Curlee and wife.

Black Creek: Minutes—Elder J. T. Williams.

Contentnea: Minutes—Brother E. J. Davis and wife.

Little River: Minutes—Elder W. H. Freeman, Brethren G. C. Langdon, D. E. Young, and S. L. Ogbourn.

Lower Mayo: Minutes—Elder N. B. Gilbert.

Lower Country Line: Minutes—Brother J. H. Hawkins,

Sisters Bessie Hawkins, Mae Fannie Davis,

Laurel Springs: Minutes.

Seven Mile: Minutes—Elders M. F. Westbrook: L. A. Johnson, Brethren Avery Baggette, B. L. Godwin, Junius Barefoot, J. F. House and others.

Salem: Minutes—Elders D. A. O'Bryant, Brother W. L. Wood.

Upper Country Line: Minutes.

White Oak: Minutes—Elders R. W. Gurganus, L. L. Yopp, Eddie Humphrey, S. Gray and R. P. Bachelor. Brethren J. B. Huffman, Amos Futrell, I. F. Prescott and others.

VISITORS: Elder C. H. Byrd from Western Primitive Association, L. H. Hill from Zion Association, Brother W. T. Brown and wife from Kehukee Association.

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Appointed Correspondence as follows:

Abbott's Creek: Minutes— Brethren A. D. Cox, J. B. Paul and R. N. Radford.

Bear Creek (Spring Session): Minutes—Elders H. G. Cox, L. G. Mishoe, Brethren J. B. Paul, A. D. Cox and E. L. Vaught.

Bear Creek (Fall Session): Elder L. N. Benton.

Black Creek: Minutes—Elders L. N. Benton, Brethren W. L. Bellamy, B. E. Hewette.

Contentnea: Minutes—Brethren A. M. Norris and B. E. Hewette.

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Lower Mayo: Minutes—Brethren R. N. Radford and J. B. Paul.

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Salem: Minutes—Brethren J. R. Hunt, W. S. Brown, A. D. Cox, M. B. Paul and A. M. Norris.

Upper Country Line: Minutes.

White Oak: Minutes—Elders H. G. Cox, L. G. Mishoe, Brethren A. D. Cox, Carl Reaves, J. B. Paul and E. L. Vaught.

Moved that any of our brethren visiting sister Associations with whom we correspond are authorized to report as messengers.

Moved that the next session of this Association be held with the church at Pleasant Hill, Horry County, South Carolina; services to begin at 11. o'clock a. m., Friday before first Sunday in November, 1947. Elder H. G. Cox is appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder L. G. Mishoe his alternate.

Pleasant Hill Church is located one mile from Myrtle Beach, beside paved road, leading from Myrtle Beach to Conway, S. C.

Moved that we adjourn till tomorrow morning 9:30.

## SATURDAY MORNING (2nd day):

The Association met according to adjournment: devotional services being conducted by Elder W. H. Freeman.

The Finance Committee was called upon to make a report, which follows:

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| Received from churches | $ 92.50 |
| Contribution from friends | 199.95 |
| Balance from 1945 | 13.55 |
| Total | $306.00 |

Disbursements:

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| Appropriated for printing and mailing minutes | $40.00 |
| Appropriated for Ministers | 252.45 |
| To Credit of Association | 13.55 |
| Total | $306.00 |

The report was received and the Committee discharged at close of Association.

Moved that 600 copies of minutes be printed and distributed among our churches and sister Associations with whom we correspond.

Resolved that we return thanks to God for His goodness to us; also to Brethren, Sisters and Friends for their kindness and hospitality in the entertainment of this Association.

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## ORDER OF PREACHING

**Friday Morning:**

Elder M. F. Westbrook: Numbers 24:10-15.
Elder H. G. Cox: General remarks.

**Friday Afternoon:**

Brother B. L. Godwin: no special text.
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**Saturday Morning:**

Elder J. T. Williams: failed to get text.
Elder D. A. O'Bryant, Isa. 46:10.
Elder S. T. Atkinson: St. Luke 2:49.

**Saturday Afternoon:**

Elder N. B. Gilbert: St. Matt. 12:33.
Elder W. E. Jarrel: Isa. 49:15
Elder S. Gray: St. Matt. 21:1.
Elder Oscar Broom: Isa. 40:11.
Elder C. H. Byrd: 2 Samuel 23:5.

**Sunday:**

Brother Sam Curlee: Failed to get text.
Elder Eddie Humphrey: Matt. 11:5.
Elder L. L. Yopp: Isa. 53rd chap.
Elder R. W. Gurganus, Isa. 35:8,9,10.

## MINISTERS AND THEIR POST OFFICES

Elder H. G. Cox, R 4, Loris, S. C.
Elder L. N. Benton, R 1, Loris, S. C.
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Elder L. L. Yopp: Isa. 53rd chapter.
Licentiate: W. A. Harrelson, Tabor City, N. C.

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| CHURCHES | NAMES OF MESSENGERS | Rec'd by baptism | Rec'd by letter | Restored | Dis. by Letter | Excluded | Deceased | No. in Fellowship | Contribution |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch .... | A. D. Cox, R. N. Radford, J. R. Hunt ..... | 4 | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 1 | 54 | $ 24.00 |
| Simpson Creek .. | N. J. Hardee, J. B. Paul, Carl Reaves ..... | 1 | .. | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 55 | 20.00 |
| Pineway ..... | J. D. Harper, R. J. Stocks, Lester Long ..... | 1 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 14 | 6.00 |
| Black Creek .... | D. F. Hewette, M. K. Alford, C. P. Small ..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 11 | 5.50 |
| Tabor ..... .... | J.E. Faircloth, D. L. Coleman, A. M. Norris ..... | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 27 | 10.00 |
| Pee Dee ..... . | T. T. Hewette, M. D. Paul, Mary Paul ..... | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 16 | 5.00 |
| Pleasant Hill .... | E. H. Leigh, W. S. Brown, Elder L. G. Mishoe ..... | 3 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 14 | 6.00 |
| Bethel ..... | A. P. Cox, H. L. Bellamy ..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | .. | 11 | 10.00 |
| Mt. Pleasant .... | Riley Brown, Geo. Brown, Harison Brown ..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10 | 6.00 |
| | | 10 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 212 | $ 92.50 |

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| Mill Branch .... | M. Meares, Tabor City, N. C. ..... | Saturday and 1st Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Simpson Creek.. | E. L. Vaught, Loris, S. C. ..... | Saturday and 2nd Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Pineway ..... | J. D. Harper, Nakina, N. C. ..... | Saturday and 2nd Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Black Creek .... | M. K Alford, Nichols, S. C. ..... | Saturday and 4th Sunday in February, May, August and Novembei |
| Tabor ..... | D. L. Coleman, Tabor City, N. C. | Saturday and 4th Sunday in March, June, September and December. |
| Pee Dee ..... | M. D. Paul, Conway, S. C. | Saturday and 4th Sunday in March, June, September and December. |
| Pleasant Hill ... | W. S. Brown, Myrtle Beach, S. C. . | Saturday and 1st Sunday in February, May, August and November. |
| Bethel ..... | Elder L. N. Benton, pro tem. | Saturday and 3rd Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Mount Pleasant | Newton Brown, Bishopville, S. C. | Saturday and 4th Sunday in March, June, September and December. |

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## 77th Annual Session

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# Mill Branch Primitive Baptist Association

— held with —

## Pleasant Hill Church

FRIDAY, SATURDAY and SUNDAY

OCTOBER 31, NOVEMBER 1, 2,

**1947**

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1948 Session is to be held with the Church at Pireway, Columbus County, N. C.. Services to begin at 11 a. m., Friday before the first Sunday in November.

OFFICERS

ELDER H. G. COX - Moderator . . . . . Loris, S. C.
E. L. VAUGHT - Clerk . . . . . Rt. 2, Loris, S. C.
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# PROCEEDINGS

## OF THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE MILL BRANCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

**Held with the Church at Pleasant Hill Horry County, South Carolina, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 31, November 1, 2, 1947.**

FRIDAY (First Day):

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder H. G. Cox from Joel 2:28, Elder L. G. Mishoe, John 15:5.

After an intermission of one hour the Association came together and was organized by electing Elder H. G. Cox, Moderator, E. L. Vaught, Clerk, and A. D. Cox Assistant Clerk.

Moved that the visiting brethren of the same faith and order be invited to seats with us by the Moderator.

Moved that the Moderator appoint preachers to the stand for this afternoon. Elders R. B. Denson, L. A. Johnson and R. P. Batchelor were appointed to the stand.

The following committees were appointed: On Finance: Bros. Albert Norris, L. M. Vaught and W. L. Bellamy. On Arrengements: Bros. W. S. Brown, S. G. Norris and T. T. Hewitte.

Moved that we call for letters from churches composing this Association. Letters were read and contents noted in Statistical Table.

Moved that we call for correspondence from sister associations, which represented as follows:

Abbott's Creek: Minutes.
Bear Creek: Elders S. T. Curlee, Oscar Broom, W. C. Allen, Bros. P. C. Curlee and wife, W. A. Eury, T. A. Williams and D. L. Williams.
Black Creek: Elder J. T. Williams.
Contentnea: Elder J. E. Mewborn, Bros. T. G. Mewborn, E. J. Davis and wife.
Elkhorn: Elders S. J. Priddy and wife, W. S. England, C. A. Marshall and wife, J. H. Gentry and wife, J. C.

Tilly and Sister White and others.
Little River: Bros. G. C. Langdon, B. E. Young, H. A. Johnson, Sisters Minnie Adams, Laura Annis.
Lower Mayo: Minutes.
Lower Country Line: Elder A. L. Holloway, Bros. G. W. Hawkins, Z. R. Moore and wife, Sister Lalon Adams and Fannie Baucum.
Laurel Springs: Elder J. C. Dunbar and wife.
Seven Mile: Elder L. A. Johnson, Bros. B. L. Godwin and wife, Elder M. F. Westbrook and wife.
Salem: Elders Z. L. Rhue and wife, D. A. O'Briant, Bros. W. E. Hylton and wife, W. L. Wood, Frank Coe and Sister Mollie Hutchins.
Upper Country Line: Bro. Carrol and wife.
White Oak: Elders S. Gray, R. P. Batchelor, W. A. Walton, Eddie Humphrey and wife, L. L. Yopp and wife, Bros. Archie Batchelor, Amos Futrell, H. A. Young and wife, Bros. Sheppard, Huffman and wife.
Visitors: Bro. L. H. Hill, Zion Association of Virginia. W. F. Adams and wife, Yellow River Association, Ga. Elder L. A. Harris and wife, A. T. Phillips, of New River Association, Va., Elder R. B. Denson, Kehukee Association of N. C.

Appointed correspondence to sister associations as follows:

Abbott's Creek: Bros. S. G. Norris and J. H. Carter.
Bear Creek: Spring Session: Elders H. G. Cox, L. G. Mishoe,, Bros. J. H. Carter, J. B. Paul, L. M. Vaught and E. L. Vaught.
Bear Creek, Fall Session: T. T. Hewitte, J. H. Carter.
Black Creek: Bros. R. N. Radford, J. B. Paul.
Contentnea: Bros. T. T. Hewitte.
Elkhorn: Elder L. G. Mishoe, Bros. J. B. Paul and R. N. Radford.
Little River: Bros. E. L. Vaught, L. M. Vaught, S. G. Norris and W. R. Lee.
Lower Mayo: Minutes.
Lower Country Line: Elders H. G. Cox, L. G. Mishoe,

Bros. L. M. Vaught and E. L. Vaught.
Laurel Springs: Elders L. G. Mishoe, H. G. Cox, Bros. L. M. Vaught, E. L. Vaught and J. B. Paul.
Seven Mile: Elder H. G. Cox, Bros. H. M. Lee, W. R. Lee, J. B. Paul, R. N. Radford and T. T. Hewitte.
Salem: Bros. A. D. Cox, W. S. Brown.
Upper Country Line: Minutes.
White Oak: Elders H. G. Cox, L. G. Mishoe, Bros. S. G. Norris, L. M. Vaught and E. L. Vaught.

Moved that any of our brethren visiting sister associations with whom we correspond are authorized to report as messengers.

Moved that the next session of this association be held with the church at Pireway, Columbus County, North Carolina. Services to begin at 11 a. m., Friday before first Sunday in November, 1948. Elder J. T. Williams is appointed to preach the introductory sermon and Elder H. G. Cox his alternate. Pireway Church is located in Columbus Co., N. C., beside public road leading from Tabor City to Pireway, N. C.. Secure information in Tabor City. By way of Wilmington, N. C., on Highway 17, pass Little River, S. C. three miles, turn to the right on paved road 200 yards, at cross roads turn right on 9, cross Waccamaw River one mille, tun right on dirt road, nine miles to church.

Moved that we adjourn till tomorrow morning 9:30.

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SATURADY MORNING (2nd Day):

The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional services being conducted by Elder Z. L. Rhue.

The Finance Committee was called upon to make a report which follows:

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| Received from churches | $84.00 |
| Contribution from friends | 138.00 |
| To credit of Association | 13.55 |
| Total | $255.55 |

Disbursements:

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|---|---|
| Appropriated for printing and mailing minutes | $40.00 |
| Appropriated for ministers | 182.00 |
| To credit of Association | 13.55 |
| Total | $255.55 |

The report was received and committee discharged at close of Association.

Moved that 650 copies of minutes be printed and distributed among our churches and sister associations with whom we correspond.

Resolved that we return thanks to God for His goodness to us; also we thank the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hopitaltiy in the entertainment of this Association.

Adjourned to meet with the church at Pireway, Columbus Co., N. C., Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1948 at 11 a. m.

## ORDER OF PREACHING

**Friday Morning:**

Elder H. G. Cox, Joel 2:28
Elder L. G. Mishoe, John 15:5

**Friday Afternoon:**

Elder R. B. Denson, (failed to get text)
Elder L. A. Johnson (failed to get text)
Elder R. P. Batchelor (failed to get text)

**Friday night:**

Brother B. L. Godwin, (failed to get text)
Elder J. H. Gentry, no special text

Saturday morning:

Elder W. C. Allen (failed to get text)
Elder C. A. Marshall, Isa. 26:1
Elder J. C. Tilley, no special text
Elder S. Gray, (failed to get text)
Elder W. S. England, Rom. 8:7

Saturday afternoon:

Elder S. J. Priddy, Rom. 1:16
Elder Oscar Broom, Isa. 9:6
Elder S. T. Curlee, no special text
Elder J. T. Williams, no special text
Elder W. A. Walton, 1 John 1:1

Sunday morning:

Elder L. A. Harris, Rom. 6:5
Elder J. C. Dunbar, no special text
Elder A. L. Holloway, no special text
Elder Z. L. Rhue, Isa. 42:8, 9
Elder Eddie Humphrey, no special text

Sunday afternoon:

Elder D. A. O'Briant, Matt. 20:21, 22, 23
Elder J. E. Mewborn, (failed to get text)
Elder L. L. Yopp, no special text

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## MINISTERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder H. G. Cox, Rt. 4, Loris, S. C.
Elder L. N. Benton, Rt. 2, Loris, S. C.
Elder L. G. Mishoe, Rt. 1, Myrtle Beach, S. C.
Licentiate: W. A. Harrelson, Tabor City, N. C.

ELDER H. G. COX, Moderator, Rt. 4, Loris, S. C.
E. L. Vaught, Clerk, Rt. 2, Loris, S. C.
A. D. Cox, Ass't Clerk, Rt. 1, Tabor City, N. C.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one living God, and that He has revealed Himself in His word under the characters of Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that the scripture of the Old and New Testament are the true word of God, and the only rule of Faith and practice for believers to be governed by.

3. We believe in the doctrine of particuler, eternal and on the creature's part, unconditional election and predestination.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

5. We believe in man's inability to recover himself from the fallen estate he is in by nature, by his own free will and ability.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

7. We believe that God's elect shall be called or regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

8. We believe that the Saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall away.

9. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subjects of these ordinances and the only true mode of baptism is immersion.

10. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.

11. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances only such as are called of God and come under the imposition of hands of the Presbytery.

12. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

## RULES OF DECORUM

1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. Those members who are regularly chosen by the churches in our union shall compose the Mill Branch Primitive Baptist Association.

3. It shall be the duty of the members thus chosen to present letters from respective churches, certifying their appointment, together with the number baptized, restored, received by letter, dismissed, excluded, died, and total since our last Association.

4. This Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the members present.

5. This Association shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage nor infringe on the internal rights of any church.

6. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preserve order, explain and put questions. He may have the same right of speech as any other member, provided he appoint some person to fill his place while speaking.

7. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a fair record of the proceedings of this Association and the minutes taken be read and corrected if thought necessary.

8. Any church applying by letter for admittance, which upon examination is found orthodox and orderly, shall be received into this Association, and mnaifested by the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship to its messengers.

9. The Association shall be composed of not over three messengers from each church.

10. Every motion made and seconded shall claim the action of the Association, except withdrawn by the person who made it with the consent of the Association.

11. Every person who speaks in debate shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator and shall not be interrupted except he depart from the subject.

12. No person shall speak more than three times on the same subject without leave of the Association.

13. There shall be no talking or whispering in time of public speech nor reflections cast upon the speaker.

14. Whenever a case is decided by vote there shall be no more debating that subject.

15. No person shall absent himself from the Association without leave of the Moderator.

16. This Association is in favor of preaching the Gospel, the circulation of the scriptures and the advantage of education and recommends temperance and morality in general, but to our members in particular, notwithstanding she is opposed to all the modern institutions of men, such as Missionary Bible tracts, and Sunday School societies, together with Baptist State Conventions, and Theological schools and such like because their connection with the Church of God is unwarranted by the scriptures, as such, we cannot fellowship nor admit to our church privileges any persons that are therewith connected in any wise, believing all such to be speculative in their nature and a fruitful source of corrupting the church.

17. We recommend to the churches comprising this body to receive members who went off with the Missionary Baptists at the time of the division, provided they bring satisfactory evidence of a legal baptism with a suitable confession of faith and not otherwise in disorder and not receive any who have been baptized since the division, only by experience and baptism.

18. It is the duty of this Association to provide for the general Union of the churches, to give her best advice in matters of difficulty, and if the union be broken between any of the sister churches to inquire into the cause of the breach and use her best endeavors to remove the difficulty but if the breach cannot be healed, to withdraw from any church or churches that may be deemed unsound in faith or immoral in practice until they be reclaimed.

19. To invite visiting brethren from sister Associations and ministers of the same faith and order to seats with us.

20. To keep a correspondence with other Associations of the same faith and order that a chain of connection may be preserved through the denomination.

21. If any member shall break these rules of decorum, he shall be immediately reproved by the Moderator.

22. These rules shall be read, if necessary, at every Association previous to entering to business.

## STATISTICAL TABLE AND QUARTERLY MEETINGS

| CHURCHES | CHURCH MESSENGERS | Rec'd by baptism | Rec'd by letter | Restored | Dis. by Letter | Excluded | Deceased | No. in Fellowship | Contribution |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch .... | S. G. Norris, A. D. Cox, L. I. Hinson ..... | 1 | 1 | .. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 50 | $16.00 |
| Simpson Creek .. | M. N. Cox, J. B. Paul, L. M. Vaught ..... | 4 | .. | .. | 2 | .. | 4 | 53 | 22.00 |
| Pireway ..... | Lester Long, J. D. Harper ..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 14 | 7.50 |
| Black Creek .... | D. F. Hewitte, C. P. Small, M. K. Alford ..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 11 | 4.00 |
| Tabor ..... .... | Otto Wright, Albert Norris, Carl Wright ..... | 1 | 3 | 2 | .. | 1 | .. | 32 | 10,00 |
| Pee Dee ..... . | T. T. Hewitte, M. B. Paul ..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 | 14 | 8.00 |
| Pleasant Hill .... | Eld. L. G. Mishoe, W. S. Brown ..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 13 | 4.00 |
| Bethel ..... | Craven Nelson, W. L. Bellamy, A. C. Cox ..... | .. | .. | 1 | 1 | .. | .. | 11 | 5.00 |
| Mt. Pleasant .... | J. H. Carter, Harrison Brown, Newton Browwn ..... | .. | 2 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 11 | 7.50 |
| | Totals ..... | 6 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 209 | $84.00 |

| | CLERKS | QUARTERLY MEETINGS. |
|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch .... | M. Meares, Tabor City, N. C. ..... | Saturday and 1st Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Simpson Creek | E L. Vaught, Rt. 2, Loris, S. C. .... | Saturday and 2nd Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Pireway ..... | J. D. Harper, Nakina, N. C. ..... | Saturday and 2nd Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Black Creek .... | M. K. Alford, Nichols, S. C. ..... | Saturday and 4th Sunday in February, May, August and November |
| Tabor ..... | D. L. Coleman, Tabor City, N. C. .. | Saturday and 4th Sunday in March, June, September and December. |
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| Pleasant Hill ... | W. S. Brown, Myrtle Beach, S. C. .. | Saturday and 1st Sunday in February, May, August and November. |
| Bethel ..... | Elder L. N. Benton, pro tem..... | Saturday and 3rd Sunday in January, April, July and October. |
| Moutn Pleasant | Newton Brown, Bishopville, S. C. .. | Saturday and 4th Sunday in March, June, September and December. |

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# MINUTES

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

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# Mill Branch Primitive Baptist Association

—Held with —

PIREWAY CHURCH

Columbus County, N. C., Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 5, 6, 7,

1948

1949 Session convenes with Mill Branch Church, Columbus County, N. C. Friday before the first Sunday in November.

**Officers**

ELDER H. G. COX - Moderator .... Rt. 2, Loris, S. C.
E. L. VAUGHT - Clerk ..... Rt. 2, Loris, S. C.
A D. COX - Assistant Clerk Rt. 1, Tabor City, N. C.

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# PROCEEDINGS

## OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE MILL BRANCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

**Held with the Church at Pireway, Columbus County, North Carolina, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 5, 6, 7, 1948.**

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FRIDAY (First Day)

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder J. T. Williams from Titus 2:

After an intermission of one hour the Association came together and was organized by electing Elder H. G. Cox, Moderator, E. L. Vaught, Clerk, and A. D. Cox Assistant Clerk.

Moved that the visiting brethren of the same faith and order be invited to seats with us by the Moderator.

Moved that the Moderator appoint preachers to the stand for this afternoon. Elders T. F. Adams and R. P. Bachelor were appointed to the stand.

The following Committees were appointed: On Finance, Brethren J. H. Carter, M. B. Paul, W. S. Brown, and on Arrangements: Brethren C. B. Reaves, R. N. Radford and Lester Long.

Moved that we call for letters from churches composing this Association. Letters were read and contents noted in Statistical Table.

Moved that we call for correspondence from sister Associations, which represented as follows:

Abbott's Creek: Minutes.

Bear Creek: Elders Oscar Broom and wife, S. T. Curlee, Jimmie Jones, Brethren T. A. Williams and wife, C. C. Curlee and wife, and Waylon Chandler.

Black Creek: Elder J. T. Williams, Brethren H. W. Phillips and wife, and others.

Contentnea: Elder G. G. Trevathan, Brother Ernest Davis and wife.
Elkhorn: Elder S. J. Priddy and wife, Sister White and Sister Prichett.
Kehukee: Minutes. Elder C. L. Robbins, Brethren C. D. Jenkins and wife, J. J. Taylor and wife, Sister Ludie Williams.
Little River: Elders F. H. Nordan, T. F. Adams, Brethren C. E. Pollard and wife, D. E. Young, M. B. Pleasant, Henry Johnson and wife, and others.
Lower Mayo: Elder Emmett Stone.
Lower Country Line: Sister Mae Fannie Davis and others.
Laurel Springs: Minutes.
Seven Mile: Elder L. A. Johnson, Brethren Avery Baggette, J. F. House and wife, M. F. Matthews, and wife, Brother Barefoot and wife and others.
Salem: Minutes.
Upper Country Line: Minutes.
White Oak: Elders R. W. Gurganus and wife, S. Gray, L. L. Yopps and wife, Eddie Humphrey and wife, R. P. Bachelor, Brethren T. C. Edwards and wife, Jennings Huffman and wife, Arthur Young and wife, Lewis Williams, Amos Futrell and others.

VISITORS:

Elder George L. Weaver from Sulphur Fork Church in Kentucky; Elder Raymond Payne and wife and others from Staunton River Association in Virginia.

Appointed correspondents to sister Associations as follows:

Abbott's Creek: Minutes.
Bear Creek: Spring Session: Elders L. N. Benton, H. G. Cox, Bros. J. H. Carter, J. B. Paul, L. M. Vaught, H. M. Lee, E. L. Vaught.
Bear Creek: Fall Session: Brethren R. N. Radford, A. C. Cox, J. H. Carter.
Black Creek: Elder L. G. Mishoe, Brethren A. D. Cox,

R. N. Radford, C. B. Reaves, L. M. Vaught, M. N. Cox and J. H. Carter.

Contentnea: Elder L. N. Benton, Brethren W. L. Bellamy, T. T. Hewett, W. R. Lee.

Elkhorn: Elder L. G. Mishoe, Brethren W. S. Brown, J. B. Paul, L. M. Vaught, A. D. Cox and M. B. Paul.

Kehukee: Elders H. G. Cox, L. N. Benton, Brethren E. L. Vaught, W. L. Bellamy.

Little River: Brethren E. L. Vaught, C. B. Reaves, W. R. Lee, A. C. Cox and R. N. Radford.

Lower Mayo: Elder L. N. Benton, Brethren R. N. Radford, C. B. Reaves.

Lower Country Line: Elders H. G. Cox, L. N. Benton, Brethren A. C. Cox, L. M. Vaught and E. L. Vaught.

Laurel Springs: Brother J. H. Carter.

Seven Mile: Elders H. G. Cox, L. N. Benton, Brethren A. D. Cox, T. T. Hewette, H. M. Lee, W. R. Lee.

Salem: Minutes.

Upper Country Line: Minutes.

White Oak: Elders H. G. Cox, L. G. Mishoe, Brethren A. D. Cox, J. H. Carter, E. L. Vaught, M. B. Paul, C. B. Reaves, L. M. Vaught, H. M. Lee, W. R. Lee.

Moved that the next session of this Association be held with the church at Mill Branch, Columbus County, North Carolina. Services to begin at 11: a. m., Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1949. Elder H. G. Cox is appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder L. G. Mishoe his alternate.

Mill Branch Church is located 5 miles east of Tabor City, one and one half miles south of paved road leading from Tabor City to Whiteville, N. C. Watch for pointer, by way of Tabor City; also by Whiteville, N. C.

Moved that we adjourn until tomorrow morning 9:30.

SATURDAY MORNING (Second Day):

The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional service being conducted by Eld. S. J. Priddy.

The Finance Committee was called upon to make a report, which follows:

RECEIPTS:

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| Received from Churches | $81.50 |
| Contribution from friends | 234.80 |
| To credit of Association | 13.55 |
| Total | $329.85 |

DISBURSEMENTS:

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| Appropriated for printing and mailing Minutes | $40.00 |
| Appropriated for ministers | 289.85 |
| To credit of Association | $000.00 |
| Total | $329.85 |

The report was received and Committee discharged at close of Association.

Moved that 650 copies of Minutes be printed and distributed among our churches and sister Associations with whom we correspond.

Resolved that we return thanks to God for His goodness to us; also we thank the brethren and sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality in the entertainment of this Association.

Adjourned to meet with the church at Mill Branch Columbus County, N. C., Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1949, at 11: a. m.

ELDER H. G. COX, Moderator,
Rt. 2, Loris, S. C.

E. L. VAUGHT, Clerk, Rt. 2, Loris S. C.

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## ORDER OF PREACHING

**Friday Morning:**

Elder J. T. Williams, Titus 2:

**Friday Afternoon:**

Elder T. F. Adams, Isa. 55:1
Elder R. P. Bachelor, Failed to get text.

**Saturday Morning:**

Elder S. Gray, 1 Tim. 3:7.
Elder L. A. Johnson, Matt. 5:3.
Elder C. L. Robbins, Failed to get text.
Elder F. H. Nordan, Luke 10:30.

**Saturday Afternoon:**

Elder R. S. Payne, No special text.
Elder Eddie Humphrey, 1 Cor. 1:23.
Elder G. G. Trevathan, Matt. 11:25
Elder Oscar Broom, No special text.
Elder George L. Weaver, 2 Tim. 4:2.

**Sunday Morning:**

Elder Jimmy Jones, Rom. 5:4.
Elder S. J. Priddy, Isa. 27:2, 3.
Elder R. W. Gurganus, Isa. 26:1.
Elder S. T. Curlee, Luke 5:26.

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Elder Emmett Stone, Deut. 32:2.
Elder L. L. Yopp, No special text.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch .... | S. G. Norris, A. D. Cox, M. Meares | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 3 | 2 | 46 | $16.00 |
| Simpson Creek . | M. N. Cox, C. B. Reaves, J. B. Paul | 1 | .. | 3 | .. | 2 | .. | 55 | 20.00 |
| Pireway ..... | Lester Long, R. J. Stocks, Jenks Harper | 2 | .. | .. | .. | 2 | .. | 14 | 5.00 |
| Black Creek .... | D. F. Hewett, M. K. Alford | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 10 | 4.00 |
| Tabor ..... | R. N. Radford, H. M. Lee, Otto Wright | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 31 | 10.00 |
| Pee Dee ..... | T. T. Hewett, M. B. Paul | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 1 | 12 | 8.00 |
| Pleasant Hill ... | Elder L. G. Mishoe, R. Causey, W. S. Brown | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 13 | 6.00 |
| Bethel ..... | Elder L. N. Benton, W. L. Bellamy, A. C. Cox | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 11 | 5.00 |
| Mt. Pleasant ... | J. H. Carter, B. E. Hewette, H. Brown | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 11 | 7.50 |
| | Totals | 3 | 1 | 3 | .. | 9 | 3 | 203 | $81.50 |

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MILL BRANCH CHURCH

Columbus County, N. C.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November, 4, 5, 6

1949

1950 Session convenes with Simpson Creek Church, Harry County, S. C., Friday before the first Sunday in November.

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# PROCEEDINGS

## OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE MILL BRANCH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT MILL BRANCH, COLUMBUS COUNTY, N. C., FRIDAY, SATURDAY, and SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 5, and 6, 1949

**Friday—**

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder H. G. Cox, followed by Elder L. G. Mishoe.

After an intermission of one hour the Association came together and was organized by electing Elder H. G. Cox Moderator, E. L. Vaught Clerk, and A. D. Cox, assistant Clerk.

Moved that the visiting brethren of the same faith and order be invited to seats with us by the Moderator.

Moved that the Moderator appoint preachers to the stand for this afternoon. Elders R. B. Denson and Lester E. Lee were appointed to the stand.

The following committees were appointed: On Finance, Brethren Otto Wright, D. E. Hewette, and C. B. Reaves, together with the clerk. On Arrangements, Elder L. G. Mishoe, Brethren S. G. Norris, and B. C. Jenrette, together with the Moderator.

Moved that we call for letters from churches composing this Association. Letters were read and contents noted in the Statistical Table.

Moved that we call for correspondence from sister Associations which were represented as follows:

Abbott's Creek: Minutes—Elder W. E. Jarrell and wife.

Bear Creek: Minutes—Elder Oscar Broom and wife, Elder S. T. Curlee and wife, Elders James Jones, W. C. Allen Brethren C. C. Curlee and wife, C. B. Thomas, W. H. Chandler and others.

Black Creek: Minutes—Elders J. T. Williahs, N. S. Davis, Brethren O. R. Daniels, J. P. Borden and others.

Contentnea: Minutes—Elder G. G. Trevathan, Brethren

M. O. Speight and R. W. Edwards.

Elkhorn: Minutes—Elders S. J. Priddy and wife, C. A. Marshall and wife, W. S. England and Sister A. C. White.

Kehukee: Minutes—Elders R. B. Denson and C. L. Robbins.

Little River: Minutes—Elders T. L. Grimes, F. H. Nordan, Brethren Henry Johnson, William Phillips, Melton Stewart, D. E. Young, Sister Canada and others.

Lower Mayo: Minutes.

Lower Country Line: Minutes—Brethren A. J. Hill and J. W. Hawkins.

Laurel Springs: Minutes.

Seven Mile: Minutes—Elders Lester E. Lee, L. A. Johnson Brethren B. L. Godwin, N. T. Whittington and wife, Avery Baggette and others.

Salem: Minutes—Elders R. F. Keaton, D. G. Staples, Brother W. L. Wood.

Upper Country Line: Minutes.

White Oak: Minutes—Elders R. W. Gurganus, S. Gray, Eddie Humphrey, L. L. Yopp, and R. P. Batchelor, Brethren Lewis Williams, Amos Futrell, Jennings Huffman, and others.

Visitors: C. S. Carroll and wife from Upper Country Line. Elders Emmett Stone, R. S. Payne and others from Staunton River, Brethren L. H. Easter and wife, Hugh Hawks and wife from Zion Association.

Appointed correspondence to sister associations as follows:

Abbott's Creek: Minutes—Brethren S. G. Norris, A. D. Cox, Carl Wright, J. H. Carter.

Bear Creek (Spring Session): Brethren J. B. Paul, C. B. Reaves, L. M. Vaught, B. C. Jenrette, B. E. Hewette, E. L. Vaught, and J. H. Carter.

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Upper Country Line: Minutes.

White Oak: Elders H. G. Cox, L. G. Mishoe, Brethren S. G. Norris, L. M. Vaught, E. L. Vaught, J. B. Paul, B. C. Jenrette and W. R. Lee.

Moved that the next session of this Association be held with the Church at Simpson Creek, Harry County, South Carolina. Services to begin at 11:00 a. m. Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1950. Elder H. G. Cox is appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon and Elder L. G. Mishoe is his alternate.

Simpson Creek Church is located about seven miles from Loris, S. C. Visitors leave Loris, go east on Highway No. 9. Travel four miles to Goretown (unincorporated) at Black's Garage, turn south on dirt road; follow this road about three miles to a white house on the right, the turn sharply to the right. It is a very short distance to the church.

Moved that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9:30.

**Saturday Morning—**

The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional services were conducted by Elder W. S. England.

The Finance Committee was called upon to make a report which follows:

Receipts

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| Received from churches | $ 91.00 |
| Contributions from friends | 201.00 |
| Total | $292.00 |

Disbursements

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|---|---|
| Appropriated for printing and mailing minutes | $ 40.00 |
| Appropriated for ministers | 253.00 |
| Total | $292.00 |

The report was received and the committe was discharged at the close of the Association.

Moved that 650 copies of minutes be printed and distributed among our churches and sister Associations with whom we correspond.

Resolved that we return thanks to God for His goodness to us: Also, we thank the brethren and sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality in the entertainment of this Association.

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## PREACHING SERVICE

**Friday Morning:**

Elder H. G. Cox, Matthew 16:18
Elder L. G. Mishoe, Gen. 3:3

**Friday Afternoon:**

Elder R. B. Denson, Failed to get text
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**Saturday Afternoon (In grove):**

Elder N. S. Davis, Isaiah 32:1
Elder Emmett Stone, Isaiah 41:17-18
Elder Eddie Humphrey, Phillippians 2:12-13
Elder James Jones, Joel 7:21 to 27
Elder J. T. Williams, Remarks

**Saturday Afternoon (In house):**

Elder C. L. Robbins, John 10:6
Elder G. G. Trevathan, Psalms 23
Elder W. E. Jarrell, John 10:1-10
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**Sunday Morning (In grove):**

Elder S. Gray, John 14:6
Elder W. S. England, Isaiah 40:1
Elder D. G. Staples, no special text
Elder S. J. Priddy, Isaiah 63:3, Rev. 14:20

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| Pireway ..... | R. J. Stocks, Lester Long, B. C. Jenrette | 4 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 18 | 10.00 |
| Black Creek .... | D. F. Hewette, M. K. Alford | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10 | 4.00 |
| Tabor ..... | Otto Wright, D. J. Spivey, Dewey Stanley | .. | .. | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 28 | 10.00 |
| Pee Dee ..... | T. T. Hewette, M. B. Paul | 2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 14 | 8.00 |
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# Proceedings

**Of the Eightieth Annual Session of the Mill Branch Primitive Baptist Association, held with the Church at Simpson Creek, Horry County, South Carolina, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 3, 4, 5, 1950.**

FRIDAY (First day)

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder H. G. Cox from Exodus 16:19, followed by Elder L. G. Mishoe, Gen. 1:11.

After an intermission of one hour the Association came together with Elder Emmett Stone conducting the devotional services. The Association was organized by electing Elder H. G. Cox moderator, E. L. Vaught, clerk, and A. D. Cox assistant clerk.

Moved that we call for letters from churches composing this Association. Letters were read and contents noted in the Statistical Table.

Moved that we withdraw fellowship from Tabor Church and Bethel Church until they be reclaimed.

Moved that the visiting brethren of the same faith and order be invited to seats with us by the Moderator.

Moved that the Moderator appoint preachers to the stand for this afternoon. Elder Lester Lee and Bro. Hugh Hawks, followed by Elder R. P. Batchelor.

The following Committees were appointed: On Finance, Bros. B. C. Jenrette, L. M. Vaught and M. K. Alford, together with clerk, E. L. Vaught; On Arrangements Bros. C. B. Reaves, S. G. Norris, and W. S. Brown, together with the Moderator, Elder H. G. Cox.

Moved that we call for correspondence from sister Associations which were represented as follows:

Abbotts Creek: Minutes—Elder W. E. Jarrell and wife. Bros. Jesse Trogdon, Northern Trogdon and Sister Staley.

Bear Creek: Minutes—Elders S. T. Curlee, W. C. Allen and Atlas Broadway; Bros. T. A. Williams, Thomas Broadway and others.

Black Creek: Minutes—Elder J. T. Williams.

Contentnea: Minutes—Elder W. C. Edwards, Bros. L. A. Mewborn, and M. O. Speight.
Elkhorn: Minutes.
Kehukee: Minutes.
Little River: Minutes—Elders T. F. Adams, T. L. Grimes and Sister Ora H. Smith.
Lower Mayo: Minutes—Elders W. H. Freeman and N. B. Gilbert.
Lower Country Line: Minutes—Bros. F. D. Long and wife, Bros. A. J. Hill and J. W. Hawkins.
Laurel Springs: Minutes—Bro. W. L. Wood (by request).
Seven Mile: Minutes—Elders L. A. Johnson and Lester Lee. Bros. B. L. Godwin and Tew.
Salem: Minutes—Elder D. A. O'Briant, Bos. J. F. Cole, W. L. Wood and wife.
Upper Country Line: Minutes.
White Oak: Minutes—Elders R. P. Batchelor, Eddie Humphrey and Lewis Williams, Bros. J. B. Pollard, Amos Futrell and others.
Visitors: Brethren Hugh Hawks, L. H. Hill from Zion Asso., Va.; Elders Emmett Stone, R. S. Payne, Sisters Mabel Atkins, Sallie Butcher and Maud Dodd from Staunton River Asso., Va.

Appointed correspondence to Sister Associations as follows:
Abbotts Creek: Minutes—Elders L. G. Mishoe and H. G. Cox, Bros. S. G. Norris, A. D. Cox, Carl Wright and J. H. Carter.
Bear Creek: Minutes—(Spring Session)—Elder H. G. Cox, Bros. J. B. Paul J. H. Carter, L. M. Vaught, N. J. Hardee A. D. Cox, C. B. Reaves and E. L. Vaught.
Bear Creek: (Fall Session)—Bro. J. H. Carter.
Black Creek: Minutes—Bros. S. G. Norris, A. D. Cox, J. B. Paul and N. J. Hardee.
Contentnea: Minutes—Elders H. G. Cox and L. G. Mishoe. Bros. A. D. Cox and E. L. Vaught.
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Little River: Minutes—Elders H. G. Cox and L. G. Mishoe, Bros. C. B. Reaves, S. G. Norris, W. S. Brown, L. M. Vaught. E. L. Vaught, N. J. Hardee and W. R. Dale.

Lower Mayo: Minutes—Bro. J. B. Paul.
Lower Country Line: Minutes— Elder H. G. Cox and L. G. Mishoe. Bros. L. M. Vaught and E. L. Vaught.
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White Oak: Minutes— Elders H. G. Cox and L. G. Mishoe, Bros. N. J. Hardee, C. B. Reaves, A. D. Cox, W. S. Brown, L. M. Brown, L. M. Vaught, E. L. Vaught and W. R. Lee.

Moved that the next session of this Association be held with the Pee Dee Church, Horry County, S. C., services to begin at 11:00 a. m. Friday before the first Sunday in November. 1951. Elder H. G. Cox is appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon, Elder L. G. Mishoe is his alternate.

Pee Dee Church is located about 10 miles west of Conway, S. C. For further information, write Bro. H. W. Cannon, Rt. 3, Conway, S. C.

Moved that we adjourn till tomorrow morning at 9:30.

SATURDAY MORNING (Second day)

Met according to adjournment. Devotional services were conducted by Brother Hugh Hawks.

The finance committee was called upon to make a report, which follows:

Receipts:

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| Received from churches | $76.00 |
| Contributions from friends | 154.00 |
| Total | $230.00 |

Disbursements:

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| Appropriated for printing and mailing minutes | $40.00 |
| Appropriated for ministers | 190.00 |
| Total | $230.00 |

The report was received and the committee discharged at the close of the Association.

Moved that 650 copies of minutes be printed and distributed among our churches and sister Associations with whom we correspond.

Resolved that we return thanks to God for His goodness to us; also we thank the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality in the entertainment of this Association.

Adjourned to meet with Pee Dee Church, Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1951 at 11:00 a. m.

ELDER H. G. COX, Moderator,
E. L. VAUGHT, Clerk,
A. D. Cox, Assistant Clerk.

## MINISTERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder H. G. Cox, Rt. 2, Loris, S. C.
Elder L. G. Mishoe, Rt. 1, Myrtle Beach, S. C.

**Licentiate:**

Brother J. H. Carter, Rt. 2, Alcolu, S. C.

## PREACHING SERVICES

**Friday Morning:**

Elder H. G. Cox, Exodus 16:19-36.
Elder L. G. Mishoe, Genesis 1:11.

**Friday Afternoon:**

Elder Lester E. Lee, No special text.
Brother Hugh Hawks, no special text.
Elder R. P. Bachelor, no special text.

**Saturday Morning:**

Elder W. H. Freeman, no special text.
Elder T. L. Grimes, failed to get text.
Elder T. F. Adams, Isaiah 55:1.

**Saturday Afternoon:**

Elder S. T. Curlee, no special text.
Elder R. S. Payne, 2 Timothy 3:16, 17.
Elder W. E. Jarrell, Rom. 8.
Elder N. B. Gilbert, failed to get text.
Elder Lewis Williams, no special text.
Elder L. A. Johnson, Acts 8:32.

**Sunday Morning:**

Devotional Services by Elder D. A. O'Bryant.
Elder J. T. Williams, no special text.
Elder W. C. Edwards, Prov. 14:12.
Elder D. A. O'Bryant, Job 26:14.
Elder Emmett Stone, no special text.

**Sunday Afternoon:**

Brother B. L. Godwin, no special text.
Elder W. C. Allen, Luke 14.
Elder Atlas Broadway, no special text.
Elder Eddie Humphrey, no special text.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one living God, and that He has revealed Himself in His Word under the characters of Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

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4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

5. We believe in man's inability to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will and ability.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

7. We believe that God's elect shall be called or regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

8. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall away.

9. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believes are the only subjects of these ordinances and the only true mode of baptism is immersion.

10. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.

11. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances only such as are called of God and come under the imposition of hands of the Presbytery.

12. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

## RULES OF DECORUM

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Those members who are regularly chosen by the churches in our union shall compose the Mill Branch Primitive Baptist Association.

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14. Whenever a case is decided by vote there shall be no more debating that subject.

15. No person shall absent himself from the Association without leave of the Moderator.

16. This Association is in favor of preaching the Gospel, the circulation of the scriptures and the advantage of education and recommends temperance and morality in general, but our members in particular, notwithstanding she is opposed to all the modern institutions of me, such as Missionary, Bible tracts and Sunday School societies, together with Baptist State Conventions and Theological schools and such like, because their connection with the Church of God is unwarranted by the scriptures, as such, we cannot fellowship or admit to our church privileges any persons that are therewith connected in any wise, believing all such to be speculative in their nature and a fruitful source of corrupting the church.

17. We recommend to the churches comprising this body to receive members who went off with the Missionary Baptists at the time of the division, provided they bring satisfactory evidence of a legal baptism with a suitable confession of faith and not otherwise in disorder and not receive any who have been baptised since the division, only by experience and baptism.

18. It is the duty of this Association to provide for the general union of the churches to give her best advice in matters of difficulty, and if the union be broken between any of the sister churches to inquire into the cause of the breach and use her best endeavors to remove the difficulty but if the breach cannot be healed, to withdraw from any church or churches that may be deemed unsound in faith or immoral in practice until they be reclaimed.

19. To invite visiting brethren from sister Associations and ministers of the same faith and order to seats with us.

20. To keep a correspondence with other Associations of the same faith and order that a chain of connection may be preserved through the denomination.

21. If any members shall break these rules of decorum, he shall be immediately reproved by the Moderator.

22. These rules shall be read, if necessary, at every Association, previous to entering business.

## STATISTICAL TABLE AND QUARTERLY MEETINGS

| CHURCHES | CHURCH MESSENGERS | Rec'd by Baptism | Rec'd by Letter | Restored | Dis. by Letter | Deceased | Excluded | Membership | Contribution |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch .... | S. G. Norris, Z. O. Faircloth, Carl Wright ..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | 1 | 44 | $16.00 |
| Simpson Creek . | C. B. Reaves, J. B. Paul, L. M. Vaught ..... | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 54 | 26.00 |
| Pireway ..... | B. C. Generette, R. J. Stocks ..... | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 19 | 10.00 |
| Black Creek .... | Scottie Hinson, Chelie McCrackin, M. K. Alford..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 9 | 5.00 |
| Pee Dee ..... | H. W. Cannon, Minnie Hendrix, Mina Smart ..... | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | .. | 12 | 5.00 |
| Pleasant Hill ... | Elder L. G. Mishoe, W. R. Lee, W. S. Brown ..... | 3 | 1 | .. | .. | 1 | .. | 16 | 8.00 |
| Mt. Pleasant ... | J. H. Carter, Harrison Brown, Riley Brown ..... | .. | 2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 13 | 6\|00 |
| | Totals ..... | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 167 | $76.00 |

| | CLERKS & POST OFFICES | QUARTERLY MEETINGS |
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| Mill Branch .... | M. Meares, Tabor City, N. C. .... | Saturday and 1st Sunday in January, April, July, October. |
| Simpson Creek . | E. L. Vaught, R 2, Loris, S. C..... | Saturday and 2nd Sunday in January, April, July, Oct. |
| Pireway ..... | Jenks Harper, Rt. 3, Tabor City, N. C. | Saturday and 2nd Sunday in January, April, July, Oct. |
| Black Creek .... | M. K. Alford, Nichols, S. C. ..... | Saturday and 4th Sunday in February, May, August, Nov. |
| Pee Dee ..... | M. B. Paul, Rt. 2, Conway, S. C. .. | Saturday and third Sunday in Jan., April., July and October |
| Pleasant Hill ... | W. S. Brown, Rt. 1, Myrtle Beach, S. C. | Saturday and first Sunday in Jan., April, July and October |
| Mt. Pleasant ... | Newton Brown, Bishopville, S. C. .. | Communion service second Sunday in June |

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# Minutes

OF THE

## 113th Annual Session

## of the Mill Branch Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

## Mill Branch Church

Columbus County, North Carolina

## November 5, 6, 7, 1983

The next Session is appointed to be held with Simpson Creek Church at Loris, S. C. on November 2, 3, and 4, 1984. Those coming by Loris will turn left on S. C. No. 9 approximately four miles to Goretown, turn right on paved road and go three miles to Church.

Elder G. H. Mishoe, Moderator
Rt. 1, Myrtle Beach, S. C. 29577—Phone 803/651-4258—803/293-2756

Sister Lucille Beasley, Clerk
115 N. Calhoun St., Bishopville, S. C. 29010—Phone 803/484-6548

Brother Liston Vaught, Asst. Clerk
1406 Rollins Ave., Florence, S. C. 29501—Phone 803/662-3319

# Proceedings

OF THE 113th Annual Session of the Mill Branch Primitive Baptist Association held with Mill Branch Church, Columbus County, N. C. November 4th, 5th, and 6th, 1983.

Devotional service was conducted by Elder Walter Wells Horne. The Introductory sermon was preached by Elder McLane Horne and Alternate Elder Walter Wells Horne.

The Association was organized by electing Elder Gardner Mishoe, Moderator, Sister Lucille Beasley, Clerk; and Brother Liston Vault, Assistant Clerk.

Finance Committee: Elder J. H. Carter, Elder McLane Horne, and Brother J. D. Wright.

Committee on Arrangements: Brother L. M. Davis, Brother Dennis Stanley, and Elder Walter Wells Horne.

Treasurer: Elder J. H. Carter and Brother Dennis Stanley.

Moved and carried we call for letters from churches comprising this Association. Letters read and contents posted in statistical table.

Moved and carried that we call for correspondence from sister Associations with whom we correspond.

Call for Petitionary Letters. There were none.

The next session of the Mill Branch Association will be held with Simpson Creek Church, Loris, S. C., the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th of November, 1984. Elder Walter Wells Horne was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon and Elder McLane Horne as Alternate.

Moved that we call for correspondence from Sister Associations with whom we correspond.

ABBOTS CREEK: Elder Jim Moody and wife, Brother Leman Granger and wife, Brother Wilbur Martin and wife, Brother Jasper Handy and wife, Elder Calvin Howard and wife, Brother Clifton King and wife, Brother Chester Taylor and wife, Brother Charlie Morgan and others.

BLACK CREEK: Elder J. B. Williams, Sister Tina Murray, Sister Lowe.

LAUREL SPRINGS: Elder Walter Branch, Sister Lena Wilson, Sister Evie Hatfield, and Sister Atkinson.

LITTLE RIVER: Elder R. L. Fish, Brother J. M. Raper and wife, Brother Layton DuPree, Brother Richard Olive, Brother Elmer Watson.

LOWER COUNTRY LINE: Elder L. P. Martin, Brother Victor Walters and wife, Brother W. A. Wheeler and wife, Brother Wade Watson, Brother and Sister Ed Washington, Sister Erma Godfrey, and Brother Everett Hill, Sister Irene Holms.

LOWER MAYO: None.

MATES CREEK: None.

NEW RIVER: Brother C. H. Bond and wife, Brother Kenneth Holland and wife, Brother Victor Phillips and wife, Brother G. E. Duncan and wife, Brother A. E. Smith and wife, Elder J. S. Sechrist and wife.

SALEM: Elder L. G. Stewart and wife, Brother Spencen Parrish and wife.

SEVEN MILE: Elder J. W. Hawkins, Brother Graham Jackson and wife, Brother Lonzo Barefoot and wife, Brother Robert Gauldin, Brother Perry Strickland, and Brother Thomas Holms.

WHITE OAK: Elder Furnie Wood, Elder Owen Kennedy, Elder Furney Davis.

YELLOW RIVER: Brother Hewitt Fleming and wife, Brother Eugene Gardner, Brother Howard Parham, and Elder E. H. Gunter.

LAWYERS SPRINGS CHURCH: Elder W. C. Edwards, Brother Wilson Jones and wife, Sister Mary Louise Jones.

CROOKED CREEK CHURCH: None.

MEWBORN CHURCH: Brother B. L. Bartlett, Sister Nancy Smith, and Elder J. M. Mewborn.

THOMAS GROVE CHURCH: None.

MACEDONIA CHURCH: None.

VISITORS: NONE.

Devotional services were conducted by Elder Brother G. E. Duncan.

## Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee was called on to report. They reported as follows:

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| Balance from 1982 | $ 507.58 |
| Received from Churches | 528.00 |
| Contributions from Friends | 282.00 |
| TOTAL | $1,317.58 |

DISBURSEMENTS:

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| Printing and Mailing of Minutes | $ 331.00 |
| Distributed to Visiting Ministers | 464.00 |
| TOTAL | $ 795.00 |
| Balance in Association Fund | $ 522.58 |
| TOTAL | $1,317.58 |

Moved and seconded that the report be received and the committee be discharged at the close of the Association.

Moved that we have 700 copies of our Minutes printed and distributed to our Sister Association.

Resolved that we return Thanks to God for His kindness and we also thank the Brethern, Sisters, and friends for their generosity and hospitality in entertaining this Association.

Moved and carried that we adjourn with Praise and Benediction — to meet with Simpson Creek in November 1984.

Dismissed by Elder Brother W. C. Edwards.

## VISITING MINISTERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Elder Jim Moody.....606 Robbins St.,Lexington, N. C. 27292, 704/249-6491
Elder Furnie Wood.....Rt.1, Box 198, Chinquapin, N. C. 28521, 324-4749
Elder Owen Kennedy.....Rt. 2, Pino Hill, N. C. 28572
Elder R. L. Fish.....101 Pine Burr St., Fuquay-Varina, N. C. 27526, 552-5169

Elder J. S. Sechrist.....1934 Welch Road, Mt. Airy, N. C. 27030, 704/786-7147
Elder W. C. Edwards.....4021 Peggy Lane, Charlotte, N. C. 28212
Elder J. B. Williams.....225 Brasswell St., Rocky Mt., N. C. 27801, 442-1334
Elder Jack Hawkins.....P.O. Box 922, Coats, N. C. 27521, 919/897-6541
Elder E. H. Gunter.....1517 Forbes Rd., Gastonia, N. C. 28052, 864-1726
Elder L. G. Stewart.....Rt.9, Box 164, Reidsville, N. C. 27330, 632-8556
Elder Calvin Harward.....Rt.13, Box 251, Sanford, N. C. 27330, 919/258-3411
Elder Walter Branch.....Rt.8, Park Drive, Mt. Airy, N. C. 786-7475
Elder L. P. Martin.....P. O. Box 1054, Roxboro, N. C. 27573, 599-1362
Elder J. M. Mewborn.....P. O. Box 128, Willow Springs, N. C. 27592
Brother G. E. Duncan.....Rt.1, Box 516, Radford, Va. 24141, 703/639-0296
Brother Furney Davis.....Rt.1, Box 253, Richlands, N. C. 28574

## ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

J. H. Carter.....211 Boundary St., Manning, S. C. 29102
Telephone 435-8869 or 435-8206
McLane Horne.....Rt.4, Loris, S. C. 29565, Tel. 756-4745
L. G. Mishoe.....Rt.1, Myrtle Beach, S. C. 24577, Tel. 293-2756
Walter Wells Horne.....2425 Owen Drive, Fayetteville, N. C. 28306, Tel. 484-9618

## CORRESPONDENCE APPOINTED TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

ABBOTTS CREEK: Brother L. M. Davis, Elder Gardner Mishoe, Elder Walter Wells Horne

BLACK CREEK: Elder McLane Horne, Brother J. D. Wright, Elder Walter Wells Horne, Brother Issac Cox, and Elder Gardner Mishoe

LAURAL SPRINGS: Brother J. D. Wright, Brother L. M. Davis, and Elder Gardner Mishoe

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## ORDER OF PREACHING

FRIDAY MORNING:

Elder Walter Wells Horne.....Opened with Prayer
Elder McLane Horne.....Ephesians 1st Chapter
Elder Walter Wells Horne.....Luke Chapter 2: verse 65
Brother Issac Cox.....Romans Chapter 8: verse 24
Elder Johnny Williams.....Returned thanks at table

FRIDAY AFTERNOON:

Elder Jim Moody.....Devotional Service

Elder R. L. Fish.....John Chapter 16: verses 44-47
Elder Owen Kennedy.....Issiah Chapter 63
Elder Furnie Wood.....Genesis Chapter 24: verse 24
Elder Johnny Williams Dismissed

SATURDAY MORNING:

Brother G. E. Duncan.....Devotional Service
Elder W. C. Edwards.....Romans Chapter 8: verses 17-18
Elder Jack Hawkins.....No Special Text
Elder J. S. Sechriest.....Romans Chapter 10: verse 10
Elder L. P. Martin.....Issiah Chapter 55: verse 22
Elder Jack Hawkins.....Returned Thanks at Table

SATURDAY AFTERNOON:

Elder Calvin Harward.....No Special Text
Brother G. E. Duncan.....Psalms Chapter 100: verse 5
Elder Walter Branch.....No Special Text
Elder L. G. Stewart.....No Special Text
Elder Johnny Williams.....Dismissed

SUNDAY MORNING:

Brother Furney Davis.....Devotional Service
Elder Johnny Williams.....1st Samuel: Chapter 6
Elder Jim Moody.....Ephesians Chapter 2
Elder E. H. Gunter.....John Chapter 3: verse 24-25
Elder J. M. Mewborn.....Issiah Chapter 64: verse 8
Elder J. H. Carter.....Dismissed
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6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by te imputed righteousness of God.

7. We believe that God's elect shall be called or regeneated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

8. We believe that the saints shall preserve in grace and never finally fall away.

9. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subjects of these ordinances and the only true mode of baptism is immersion.

10. We believe that the punishment will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.

11. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances only such as are called by God and come under the imposition of hands of the Presbytery.

12. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgement.

| CHURCHES | MESSENGERS | Ordained Ministers | Rec. by Esp. & Baptism | Rec. by Letter | Restored | Dismissed by Letter | Excluded | Deceased | Total | Contribution | Entertained Association |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch | McLane Horne, Donald Hunt, Nathan Paul, Alt. Isaac Cox | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 78.00 | 1983 |
| Mt. Pleasant | J. H. Carter, L. M. Davis, Ava Davis, Alt. Lucille Beasley | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 100.00 | 1982 |
| Pee Dee | Delphia Martin, Nina Smart Eulee Owens | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 25.00 | 1957 |
| Pireway | Dennis Stanley, Lollie Long, Pearl Buck | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 75.00 | 1981 |
| Pleasant Hill | Ethel Carroll, Mamie Mishoe, Armathey Mishoe, Alt. Gertrude Paul | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 80.00 | 1975 |
| Simpson Creek | Mary Vaught, Esther Harrelson, Walter Wells Horne, Alt. Liston Vaught | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 32 | 100.00 | 1979 |
| Tabor | Orene Stephens, Earl Coleman, Beulah Mills, Alt. Ruthene Cox | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 70.00 | 1980 |

| | CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES | TIME OF COMMUNION |
|---|---|---|
| Mill Branch | Pearl Inman, Rt. 3, Box 40, Tabor City, N.C. | 1st Sun. April & October |
| Mt. Pleasant | Lucille Beasley, 115 N. Calhoun St., Bishopville, S.C. 29010 | 2nd Sun. March & September |
| Pee Dee | Lucille Beasley, 115 N. Calhoun St., Bishopville, S.C. 29010 | 3rd Sun. April |
| Pireway | Pearl Buck, Rt. 3, Box 158, Tabor City, N.C. 28463 | 3rd Sun. October |
| Pleasant Hill | Armathey Mishoe, Rt. 1, Myrtle Beach, S. C. 29577 | 1st Sun. October |
| Simpson Creek | Liston Vaught, 1406 Rollins Ave., Florence, S. C. 29501 | 2nd Sun. April & October |
| Tabor | Ruthene Cox, 14 Garrell St., Tabor City, N.C. | 4th Sun. March & September |